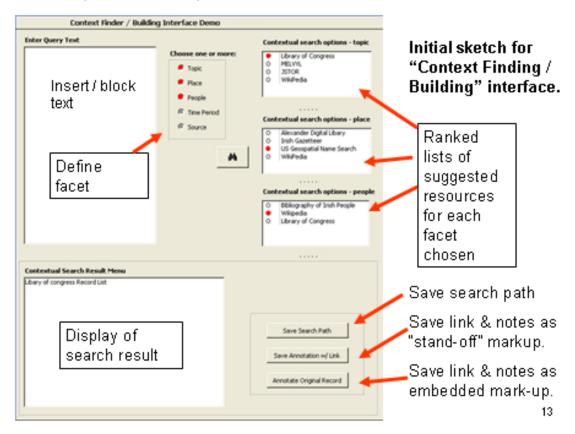
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Making Contextual Resources Accessible for Digital Resources, Michael Buckland

Understanding requires knowing the context. The reference library is needed in the digital library environment. Design goal: Find contextual explanations for anything: document, words, names, events, objects, whatever. What is related to it in what it is, where it came from, when it originated, and who is associated with it? Use of existing resources, existing metadata, and WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, and WHO.



Initial prototypes: *Irish Review* (digitized by CDDA to JSTOR specs) http://gray.ischool.berkeley.edu/w4/irish/ *Wikipedia* biographical articles: http://gray.ischool.berkeley.edu/w4/wiki/

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